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which transmitted matching identifying indicia, and b) time lapsed between the transmission of the matching identifying indicia to the central computer] and,

wherein, after a predetermined amount of time, the identifying indicia which do not indicate a violation are deleted from memory.

REMARKS

Applicant has amended the claims above, deleting matter upon which the Examiner did not apparently rely in accessing the merits of the claims or which were superfluous statements concerning advantages of the invention. Further, Applicant has corrected any inconsistencies regarding the time of deletion of unmatched data and harmonized the "within a certain time" phraseology of claims 3 and 8 with the "after a predetermined time" phraseology of claim 7. The amendments raise no new issues. Thus, Applicant believes he has complied with the spirit and scope of the Examiner's suggestions. For example, all reference to the look-up table and the detailed calculation steps have been deleted which were clearly not relied on by the Examiner. Thus, the amendments serve to more concisely indicate what the Applicant considers his invention.

As for claim 3, Applicant wishes to bring to the Examiner's attention the phrase "another identifying indicia received earlier in time and with a certain period of time" in lines 9 and 10 of the claim. Applicant believes that this language is sufficient to distinguish the claim over the prior art and thus put the claim in condition for allowance.

Further, any other rejected claims (e.g., claim 2) should now be in condition for allowance by virtue on their dependency on allowable claims.

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Conclusions

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Applicant's invention as now claimed is patentably distinct from the prior art and thus claims 1-7, 9 and 11, should be passed to allowance. In light of this fact, Applicant respectfully requests the issuance of the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due.

The amendments made herein are made solely for the purpose of advancing the examination of the application and, unless otherwise specifically stated, are not to be construed as an admission that the claimed invention requires such amendments to be patentably distinct over the prior art.

If the Examiner finds this response deficient in any sense, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the Applicant via telephone or fax to 011-4122-344-0694 (Geneva, Switzerland) or e-mail to davinci@iprolink.ch.

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